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Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56 and §1.97-1.98, enclosed please find a completed Form PTO-1449 citing references submitted for consideration by the Examiner during examination of the above-referenced patent application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), copies of the references listed on pages 1, 2, and 3 of the attached Form PTO-1449 are not enclosed as they can be found in the file of the parent case, U.S. Serial No. 09/500,153, filed February 8, 2000. Copies of references not previously cited in the parent case are enclosed and are listed on page 4 of the attached Form PTO-1449.

For the convenience of the Examiner, Applicants are enclosing copies of the copending, coassigned U.S. applications (or issued patents thereof) that were brought to the Examiner's attention during the prosecution of the parent case (page 5 of the attached Form PTO-1449).

Applicants request consideration of these references by the Examiner in regard to the present application, and that the Examiner initial and return the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

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